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Practice Areas: Bankruptcy and Bankruptcy related litigation, including creditor, debtor and trustee representation, as well as corporate liquidations, reorganizations and out of court restructuring.

Education: State University of Albany, graduated in 1987 with a Bachelors of Arts, *cum laude*
Hofstra University School of Law, graduated in 1990 with a Juris Doctorate, *cum laude*

Date admitted to Bar:

New York, January 1991

Connecticut, December 1990

Selected Speaking Engagements:

- Speaker, Real Estate, The New American Skyline: Builder/Developer Workouts and Restructurings (ABI Annual Winter Leadership Conference December 5 - 8, 2007)
- Speaker, The Overlap Of Dirt & Chattels: Competing Rights Of Secured Parties, Landlords & Equipment Lessors In Collateral & Fixtures In Real Estate Related Transactions (ABI Annual Winter Leadership Conference November 29 - December 3, 2006)
- Moderator, Deepening Insolvency - Impact & Pitfalls (New York Institute of Credit and IWIRC NY Network, City Bar Justice Center, April 25, 2005)
- Speaker, Guiding You and Your Clients Towards Success in These Complex Economic Times - "A Morning with the Experts". (Uniondale Marriott, November 3, 2004)
- Coordinator, Annual Bankruptcy Law Update, (Nassau/Suffolk Academy of Law, June 22, 2004)
- Speaker, Bankruptcy Pre and Post Filing Concerns (New York Institute of Credit, April 27, 2004)
- Speaker, Hot Topics in Bankruptcy, Sub-Committee on Business (American Bar Association, Spring Meeting, April 2, 2004)
- Program Chair, Technology in the Bankruptcy Court: Welcome to the 21st Century (United States Bankruptcy Court and the Suffolk and Nassau Academies of Law, October 24, 2003)
- Moderator, Dean's Hour: Truth & Consequences: Analyzing a Company Collateral Reporting (The Nassau Academy of Law, September 10, 2003)
- Speaker, Bankruptcy and Reorganization Conference (The Association of the Bar of the City of New York, July 31, 2003)
- Speaker, Bankruptcy, Creditor's Rights and Protection of Security Interests in Bankruptcy Seminar (Sterling Education Services, July 8, 2003)
- Moderator, True Life Bankruptcy Stories Seminar (Nassau Academy of Law, May 29, 2003)

- Speaker, Real Estate, Advanced Real Estate Law In New York (National Business Institute, April 15, 2003)
- Moderator, The 1, 2, 3's of Chapter 7 Bankruptcy: A Hands on Seminar (Nassau County Bar Association, November, 2002)
- Speaker, The Impact of Bankruptcy Dissolution of Marriage in New York (National Business Institute, September 17, 2002)
- Speaker, Advanced Real Estate Law In New York (National Business Institute, February 12, 2002)
- Moderator, Panel Discussion on Reorganization Team Dynamics - Insights and Suggestions Regarding the Dynamics and Communications Within the Reorganization Management Team (American Bankruptcy Institute's Spring Conference, April 2001)
- Speaker, Permissive Abstention in Adversary Proceedings Under the Bankruptcy Code, a Litigators Response (Suffolk County Bar Association, March 20, 1999)
- Speaker, Select Environmental Issues in Bankruptcy Cases, (Nassau Academy of Law, Bankruptcy Update, November 30, 2000)

Articles Published:

Are the Holders of §503(b)(9) Claims Entitled to Separate and Distinct Representation in a Case?, Journal of Bankruptcy Law and Practice, June 2008

The Attempted Expansion of Section 1146(c) of the Bankruptcy Code and Its Status in Light of the Current Economic Times, Pratt's Journal of Bankruptcy Law, June, 2005

Truth & Consequences: Analyzing a Company Collateral Reporting, Nassau Lawyer, Vol 53, No. 6, February, 2004

Use and Occupancy v. Due Date: More on Post-Petition Rent Obligations, LNJ's Equipment Leasing Newsletter, Vol. 12, No. 2, February 2003

Leases and Bankruptcy: What Happens if the Landlord Files for Bankruptcy Protection?, Nassau Lawyer, Vol. 52, No. 5, January, 2002

What Does Consent by a Secured Creditor to a Sale of Assets Really Mean?, Co-Authored with Marc L. Hamroff, LNJ's Equipment Leasing Newsletter, Volume XX, Number 12, December 2001

Sublessor Not Automatically an "Owner" When Determining Liability Under CERCLA, Co-Authored with Marc L. Hamroff, Leader's Equipment Leasing, Newsletter, Volume XIX, Number 8, August, 2000

How Bankruptcy Changes Could Affect Lessors, Co-Authored with Marc L. Hamroff, Equipment Leasing Newsletter, Volume XVII, Number 10, October, 1998

Can A Dishonored Check Serves as Grounds to Except a Debt From Discharge? It Depends on What You Have to Prove, Bankruptcy Litigation Newsletter of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Committee, Vol. 5, No. 1, Spring 1997

Protective Exclusion in the VDT Workplace, Why Alternatives Are Needed, Hofstra Labor Law Journal, Spring 1989

Honors:

2008 Long Island Business News, Top 50 Influential Women
2005 Honoree, Face to Face (The National Domestic Violence Project and The Nassau County Coalition Against Domestic Violence) - Annual Benefit
2005 Honoree, Child Care Council of Nassau, Inc. Charity - Golf Classic Outing & Casino Night
2005 Long Island Business News, Top 40 Professionals Under 40
July 2004 Long Island Woman Businessperson of the Month, Molloy College
2004 Long Island Business News, One of Long Island's 50 Top Women in Business
2004 Recipient of the Hofstra University School of Law Distinguished Alumni Award
Former Law Clerk to the Honorable Allyne Ross, United States District Court Judge, Eastern District of New York, 1990-1991
Former Law Clerk to the Honorable Jerome Feller, United States Bankruptcy Judge, Eastern District of New York, 1990-1993
Editor in Chief, Hofstra Labor Law Journal, 1989-1990
Judge at the annual Judge Conrad B. Duberstein National Moot Court Competition, 1996-2003

Affiliations - Business, Philanthropic and Civic Activities:

Co-Chair - American Bankruptcy Institute's Healthcare Insolvency Committee, April 2008
Co-Chair - Litigation and Bankruptcy Practice Groups, Moritt Hock Hamroff & Horowitz LLP, March 2008
Board of Editors - Pratt's Journal of Bankruptcy Law, 2005 - Present
Chair International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation, 2004-present
President, Long Island Women's Agenda, Spring 2004-Spring 2006
Member Heart Association Gala Committee, 2004-2005
Member Ad Hoc SubCommittee on Bankruptcy, Committee, Eastern District New York, Civil Litigation, Fall 2003-present
Group Coordinator, Gotham Women's LI Networking Group, Summer 2004-present
Vice Chair, Gotham Women's LI Networking Group, Summer 2002-2004
Member Gotham Networking Long Island Group, Summer 2003-present
Chair, Local Rules Committee in the Eastern District of New York, 2003
Chair, Sponsorship Committee, Heart Association Gala Committee, 2003-2004
Chair Bankruptcy Committee, Nassau County Bar Association, 2002-2004
Vice-Chair Bankruptcy Committee, Nassau County Bar Association, 2000-2002
Co-Director - Development and Presentations - Moritt Hock Hamroff & Horowitz LLP, monthly CLE program, 2002-present
Founding Member, Electronic Filing Committee, Eastern District of New York, Bankruptcy Court 2000-present
Member Joint Committee Nassau and Suffolk Bar Association on Mediation Summer 1999- Fall 2000
Founding Member Local Rules Committee for the Eastern District of New York Bankruptcy Court, 1999 and 2003
Secretary/Treasurer, International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation, 2000-2002
Executive Vice President of the Long Island Women's Agenda, Spring 2003-Spring 2004
Secretary of the Long Island Women's Agenda, Summer 2002-Fall 2002

Vice-President, Long Island Women's Agenda, Chair of the Work and Family Committee, 2000-2002

Member Executive Board of Hofstra University School of Law's Alumni Association, 2001-present

Co-President Hofstra University School of Law's Alumni Association, 1994-2001

Member Hofstra University School of Law Alumni Association's Distinguished Honoree Annual Dinner Committee, 1994-2003

Member Hofstra University School of Law Career Services Committee, 1994-2003

Member LI Cabinet of the Hofstra University School of Law Capital Campaign, 1999-2000

Speaker at Fall Orientation for Hofstra University School of Law, 1994-2001

Graduation Speaker at Hofstra University School of Law, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000

Member of the Corporate Development Committee for the National Association of Mother's Centers, 1999-2004